

March 2, 2023

VIA ECF

The Honorable George C. Hanks, Jr.  
United States District Judge  
United States Courthouse  
515 Rusk Street, Room 6202  
Houston, Texas 77002

Re: *In re Alta Mesa Resources, Inc. Securities Litigation*, Case No. 4:19-cv-00957  
(consolidated) (Civil Action Nos. 4:22-cv-01189 & 4:22-cv-02590)

Dear Judge Hanks:

Defendants in the above-referenced consolidated actions and Alyeska Master Fund, L.P., Alyeska Master Fund 2, L.P., and Alyeska Master Fund 3, L.P. (collectively, “Alyeska Plaintiffs”), and Plaintiffs Orbis Global Equity LE Fund, Orbis Global Equity Fund, Orbis Global Balanced Fund, Orbis SICAV, Orbis Institutional Global Equity L.P., Orbis Global Equity Fund Limited, Orbis Institutional Funds Limited, Allan Gray Australia Balanced Fund, Orbis OEIC, and Orbis Institutional U.S. Equity L.P. (collectively, “Orbis Plaintiffs”) jointly submit this letter.

The parties respectfully request that the Court hold oral argument on Defendants’ motions to dismiss (ECF Nos. 263, 264, 265, and 266) on **March 30, 2023** (or any day the week of March 27, 2023), or at the Court’s earliest convenience. The parties respectfully ask to appear in-person for the hearing.

At a discovery hearing on January 27, 2023, Your Honor granted HPS Investment Partners, LLC’s request for oral argument on motions to dismiss the actions brought by the Alyeska and Orbis Plaintiffs.<sup>1</sup> Your Honor also requested that the parties file a joint letter to schedule the hearing at the close of briefing.<sup>2</sup> In accordance with the Joint Scheduling Stipulation (ECF No. 279), the parties will complete briefing on these motions on March 14, 2023—more than two weeks in advance of the requested hearing date.<sup>3</sup> We greatly appreciate the Court’s attention to this request.

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<sup>1</sup> Minute Entry, ECF No. 276 (“The Court will hold oral argument on the motions to dismiss discussed in docket entry 261.”); Discovery Hr’g Tr. 8:17, Feb. 9, 2023 (“Bottom line is oral argument is granted.”).

<sup>2</sup> Minute Entry, ECF No. 276 (“The parties will file a joint letter requesting oral argument after they have completed their briefing.”); Discovery Hr’g Tr. 8:21-24, Feb. 9, 2023 (“Once you feel that the briefing is completed, then the letter requesting oral argument at a time that would be convenient for the parties, and then we’ll set it for that time.”).

<sup>3</sup> Joint Scheduling Stipulation Regarding Briefing Schedule, ECF No. 279.

Respectfully submitted,

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